

## Scriptures:

**Our God is Sovereign. He was not surprised by any of this.**

Psalm 135:5,6 –

*I know that the LORD is great,  
that our Lord is greater than all gods.  
The LORD does whatever pleases him,  
in the heavens and on the earth,  
in the seas and all their depths.*

Colossians 1:15-17 –

*The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. <sup>16</sup>For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

**Moms and Dads, we have been raised up “for such a time as this”. We have been placed here, in the midst of a pandemic, with the ages our children are at right now, in the midst of so much uncertainty and confusion. We can all step *boldly* and *confidently* into whatever this school year holds.**

Esther 4:14 –

*“...For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father’s family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?”*

**Our God is good and faithful.**

Deuteronomy 7:9 –

*Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.*

Lamentations 3:21-23 –

*Yet this I call to mind  
and therefore I have hope:  
Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed,  
for his compassions never fail.  
They are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.*

**Unsure what to do? Pray. Always start there. He *will* give wisdom and clarity around next steps.**

James 1:5 –

*If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.*

**If you're feeling inadequate, you're not alone. I *am* inadequate, but the Lord isn't. So, He is where we turn for help.**

Psalms 121 –

*I lift up my eyes to the mountains—  
where does my help come from?*

<sup>2</sup> *My help comes from the LORD,  
the Maker of heaven and earth.*

<sup>3</sup> *He will not let your foot slip—  
he who watches over you will not slumber;*

<sup>4</sup> *indeed, he who watches over Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.*

<sup>5</sup> *The LORD watches over you—  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;*

<sup>6</sup> *the sun will not harm you by day,  
nor the moon by night.*

<sup>7</sup> *The LORD will keep you from all harm—  
he will watch over your life;*

<sup>8</sup> *the LORD will watch over your coming and going  
both now and forevermore.*